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Subject: RE: URGENT: House T&I Hearing Information Request (Due Tues, May 14th)

Richard,

Please see below the brief phrases/sentences for the Regional sites listed on the Administrator's Emphasis List:

Bonita Peak Mining District: EPA will sign the Interim Record of Decision and begin cleanup work at several mine source area locations in the summer of 2019. EPA continues to work with a Potential Responsible Party (PRP), Sunnyside Gold Corporation, to characterize contamination associated with the mine pool ground water system (Operable Unit 3) under a Unilateral Administrative Order (UAO) and the Mayflower tailings site (Operable Unit 2) under an Administrative Order Consent (AOC) in 2019. These OU2 and OU3 investigations are being conducted concurrently with ongoing sitewide Remedial Investigation work at the remaining 46 mine source areas within the site, which will include surface water, ground water, sediment, bug, and fish community sampling in 2019.

Anaconda Smelter Superfund Site: The 300-square-mile Anaconda Co. Smelter site is located at the southern end of the Deer Lodge Valley in Montana, at and near the location of the former Anaconda Copper Mining Company. Cleanup is complete at several areas within the site and operation and maintenance activities are ongoing at these areas. Cleanup activities are underway at the remaining areas. In the late summer/early fall of 2018, at the request of the Anaconda community, EPA conducted a study to collect samples of garden produce and soil for certain metals. The study also characterized garden-specific attributes that may influence soil metal concentrations and/or uptake of these into produce. Results of this study will be communicated to residents this spring and early summer. EPA is currently negotiating with the PRP on the terms of a potential Consent Decree for the remain clean-up at the site.

Silver Bow Creek/Butte Area Superfund Site: April 11, 2019 EPA announced the availability of the proposed plan for an amendment to the Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit (BPSOU) Record of Decision for public review and comment. The proposed plan identifies proposed changes to the 2006 Record of Decision; the changes relate to remaining remedial work for the BPSOU. EPA and MDEQ have determined that it is necessary to waive and replace certain state surface water standards that prove to be technically impracticable to achieve at BPSOU. Any state aquatic life standard that is waived would be replaced with a federal surface water criterion promulgated under the Clean Water Act for the protection of aquatic life. Additionally, EPA is currently negotiating with the PRP on the terms of a potential Consent Decree for the BPSOU.

Let me know if you need additional language,

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Region's BC Mailing List,

We have been requested to compile the following information to prepare for an upcoming House T&I hearings on Superfund. This exercise is NOT related to the fact sheet development you may have been working on and is a separate exercise requesting information on every site in each member's district from the House T&I Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee in addition to every site currently on the Administrator's Emphasis List.

REQUEST: For every **site** in each T&I WRE subcommittee member's district and AEL site (attached list by Region), please provide no more than two to three phrases/sentences about the status of "what we can expect to occur at the site in the next six months (i.e. next construction season). Examples include "EPA is beginning sampling in the residential areas in fall 2019", or "The landfill cap will be constructed in summer 2019", or "EPA is currently negotiating with the PRP on the terms of the Consent Decree for the remedial investigation/feasibility study", etc... This information will be inserted, separate from the site fact sheets, into the briefing book for the OLEM acting Assistant Administrator Barry Breen for his use during the hearing.

<u>DEADLINE:</u> Please email me your site-specific language/information no later than **COB tomorrow, Tuesday, May 14**st.

It has been brought to my attention that some of you may have already provided similar information with your site fact sheets, however, for information management purposes, we are requesting you respond to this exercise separately. I apologize for the quick turnaround request. Please let me know if you have any questions on concerns with providing the information. Thanks for your attention to this matter.

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